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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Sponsoring Organizations
and Institutions

FROM: Maureen Staggenborg, Director
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SUBJECT: **Operational Memorandum # 09C-05 and 09H-05**
Implementing Changes to the Child and Adult Care Food Program
(CACFP) in Interim Rule entitled, "Child and Adult Care Food Program:
Improving Management and Program Integrity"

DATE: December 3, 2004

On September 1, 2004 the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) published an interim rule entitled, "Child and Adult Care Food Program: Improving Management and Program Integrity" (69 FR 53501). This rule puts into effect regulatory provisions that FNS had proposed on September 12, 2000 (65 FR 55101), as modified in response to 548 public comments received on that proposal.

Although FNS is soliciting public comment on this interim rule, its provisions will be codified in the Code of Federal Regulations and will have the force of law, effective October 1, 2004. FNS issued this as an interim rule, and allowed a lengthy period for public comments, to permit State agencies and institutions to comment on the rule after they have actually implemented all of its provisions.

This memorandum is intended to provide sponsoring organizations and institutions with information for their use in implementing the provisions of this interim rule. In addition to discussing each regulatory change in the rule that affects sponsoring organizations and institutions, this memorandum will also:

- Address implementation timeframes; and
- Discuss the areas where this second interim rule interacts with the provisions of the first interim rule published on June 27, 2002 (67 FR 43447), which implemented statutory provisions mandated by the Agricultural Risk Protection

Act of 2000 and the Grain Standards and Warehouse Improvement Act of 2000 (Public Laws 106-224 and 106-472, respectively).

Although FNS will provide a more in-depth discussion of most of these regulatory changes in National training to be provided in the spring of 2005, State Agencies (SAs) and institutions are expected to implement most of these provisions (the exceptions are clearly noted in the attached guidance) by October 1, 2004.

If there are any questions concerning this guidance, center sponsors please contact Susan Boyle at 860-807-2074, Celia Cordero at 860-807-2076 or Benedict Onye at 860-807-2081. Home sponsors may contact Maureen Staggenborg at 860-807-2070 or Susan Bohuslaw at 860-807-2073.

Attachments

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